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\$403 MILLION: POWERBALL'S TENTH-LARGEST JACKPOT EVER

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LITTLE ROCK – \$403,000,000!? No, the zero key didn't get stuck – it's the jackpot for Wednesday's Powerball drawing. Wednesday night's drawing will be the 19th drawing since the most recent Powerball jackpot win. In fact, that win was \$121.6 million in Delaware on December 17, 2016 – see? Small states do win! And Powerball has produced thousands of winners in Arkansas as well, including million-dollar Powerball winners in Uniontown, Conway, Hot Springs, Grubbs, Little Rock, De Queen, Searcy, Berryville, and Jacksonville.

This is the *tenth-largest* jackpot in Powerball history. The timing of this massive Powerball run additionally gives Arkansas Powerball players a bargain with the lottery's 5 Buck Bundle – a package which includes one Powerball, one Mega Millions and one Natural State Jackpot ticket, all for \$5. Besides Powerball's tenth largest-ever \$403 million level for Wednesday, tonight's Mega Millions jackpot is \$55 million. And -- quietly on a run of its own -- tonight's Natural State Jackpot top prize is \$130,000.

(To get the Bundle, Arkansas players must simply buy a \$3 Powerball ticket with PowerPlay and a \$2 Mega Millions ticket with Megaplier to receive a free \$1 Natural State Jackpot ticket all February long. All three tickets will be Quick Picks. This promotion is not available from lottery TVMs or if purchased separately.)

About Powerball

Powerball is a multi-state national jackpot draw game with drawings held at 9:59 p.m. every Wednesday and Saturday. Arkansas started Powerball sales on October 31, 2009. Powerball itself began in April 1992 in 15 states with jackpots that started at a guaranteed \$2 million. Since then, Powerball has grown into one of the world's biggest and most recognizable lottery games, sold today by 47 lotteries across the nation, with players buying more than \$4 billion in Powerball tickets each year. The world record jackpot was set by a Powerball jackpot run that reached \$1.586 billion and hit in Tennessee, California, and Florida.

About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

Since its inception in 2009, the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery has provided nearly \$700 million for in-state college scholarships to Arkansas students, nearly \$2 billion in prizes to players, and more than \$182 million in commissions to Lottery retailers. More than 92 cents of every dollar of Lottery revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions and other expenses in Arkansas.

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